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NASA Visitor Center Events Scheduled for October

October 7 -- Model Rocket Launch

A model rocket launch will be held at 1 p.m. Models of various rockets will be launched. Model rocketeers are invited to bring their own rockets and launch them. The launch will be canceled if it is raining or winds exceed 18 mph.

October 8 -- Main Base Biking Tour

There will be a biking tour of the Wallops Main Base beginning at 3 p.m. The tour is 3 miles long and takes approximately one hour. Participants must bring their own bicycles, wear a helmet and sign up at the Visitor Center. The tour will be canceled if it is raining.

October 21 -- Kite Flight

This 40-minute program that begins at 11 a.m. explores the history of flight and provides an opportunity for children to construct and fly their own kites.

Saturdays and Sundays -- Puppets in Space

Puppets in Space is a 10-minute puppet show presented at 11 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Puppet astronauts and Sam the monkey will explore space flight and the space suit. An eightminute version of the film "Astrosmiles" follows the puppet show.

Sundays -- Humans in Space

Humans in Space is a 30-minute program presented at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Learn what it's like to live and work in space including a review of what the astronauts eat and what their wardrobes are in space. The program is followed by a hands-on activity to create a "space helmet".

Daily -- Space Ace

Children 5 to 10 years old can earn a "Space Ace" certificate and a lithograph any day they come to the Visitor Center by completing an activity sheet.

The Visitor Center, part of the Robert L. Krieger Education Complex, is open Thursday through Monday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is closed on Tuesday and Wednesday. It is located on Route 175 about six miles from Route 13 and five miles from Chincoteague, VA. Admission to the Visitor Center and all programs is free. For further information, call (757) 824-2298.